



Security Council

Distr.
GENERALS/1998/755
13 August 1998

ORIGINAL: ENGLISH

LETTER DATED 13 AUGUST 1998 FROM THE CHARGÉ D'AFFAIRES A.I.
OF THE PERMANENT MISSION OF UGANDA TO THE UNITED NATIONS
ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to bring to your attention Uganda's position regarding the ongoing internal conflict in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. My Government trusts that this should also clarify the misrepresentation of facts and the allegations made against my country contained in the letter of 10 August 1998 from the Representative of the Democratic Republic of the Congo addressed to you (S/1998/735).

Uganda wishes to refute, in the strongest terms, all the baseless and unfounded allegations made against her in the said letter. The letter is also a transparent attempt by the authorities of the Democratic Republic of the Congo to divert the attention of the international community away from the real problem of the internal conflict in that country.

Uganda shares the deep concern of the States in the region on the internal conflict in the Congo and reiterates her commitment to finding a peaceful and lasting settlement to the conflict.

Uganda wishes to reaffirm her respect for the national sovereignty and territorial integrity of all States and her firm adherence to the principled policy of good neighbourliness and non-interference in the internal affairs of other States.

Uganda reiterates her readiness to work closely with States in the region, the Organization of African Unity, the United Nations and all other parties interested in the conflict to find a peaceful solution to the current internal conflict in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. To this end, Uganda endorses unequivocally the decision adopted by the Harare Regional Summit on 8 August 1998 to set up a four nation committee comprised of the United Republic of Tanzania, Namibia, Zambia and Zimbabwe to work out modalities for a ceasefire in the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Fred BEYENDEZA
Chargé d'affaires a.i.
